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REMARKS

This refers to the Advisory Action that was mailed on December 12, 2006. Claims 1, 4-10, and 12-15 remain pending in the application. Claim 9 is amended, based upon such disclosure as that appearing in the 4th-10th lines on page 25 of the specification. No new matter is introduced by this Amendment.

Applicants refer to their Amendment filed November 30, 2006 for their position on the rejection of record.

In the Advisory Action, the Examiner questions how the acid group of the resin which forms the wall encapsulating the disperse system can function to crosslink or cure that anionic resin. As is apparent from e.g. the disclosure in the 4th-10th lines on page 25 of the specification, use of the acid group of the anionic resin as a crosslinkable functional group of the anionic resin is clearly contemplated in the present invention. With regard to crosslinking or curing of the anionic resin, the organic dispersion is encapsulated by the anionic resin, and then the anionic resin is crosslinked or cured by crosslinking or curing the acid groups (or residual unneutralized acid groups) of the anionic resin constituting the capsule wall, for example by utilizing a crosslinking agent.

Applicants believe that the pending application is in condition for allowance. If there are any questions concerning this application, please contact Applicants' representative, Richard Gallagher (Reg. No. 28,781), at (703) 205-8008.

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